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(U) CALIFORNIA

(U) Menlo Park - Violent Extremist Movement 'Boogaloo Bois' Reemerges on Facebook Despite Ban

(U) The violent extremist "boogaloo" movement is showing new signs of activity on Facebook, in spite of the social media platform's ban on the group. Boogaloo groups and individual "boogaloo bois" appear to have increased their activity on Facebook following the FBI's search of former President Trump's Mar-a-Lago home. In particular, several boogaloo groups on Facebook have been "valorizing" an armed man who tried to breach an FBI field office in Cincinnati. The accounts appear to be evading Facebook's detection by using coded keywords and variations of boogaloo like "bogaloo" and "big igloo." SOURCE: 7 September 2022, The Hill

(U) Roseville – Noose Found Hanging from Play Structure at Roseville Park

(U) A noose was found hanging from a play structure in a park in Roseville on 31 August according to Roseville Police. An officer responded to the park to investigate the incident, retrieved the noose, and booked it into evidence. The department coordinating with the park maintenance staff to assess vandalism that has happened in the past and if that previous vandalism was racially motivated. They are also increasing the neighborhood patrols at night.

SOURCE: 7 September 2022, FOX 40

(U) SOUTHERN BORDER

(U) California – CBP Officers Foil Seven Narcotic Smuggling Attempts Worth Nearly \$3 Million

(U) San Diego – US Customs and Border Protection (CBP) officers from the Calexico and Andrade ports of entry intercepted seven narcotics smuggling attempts worth an estimated street value of nearly \$3 million over the course of one week. CBP officers from both ports discovered 656 packages of methamphetamine and fentanyl concealed inside travelers' vehicles while applying for entry into the United States between 20-27 August. More than 825 pounds of the deadly narcotics were seized after officers noticed tampering on travelers' vehicles and unusual travel patterns.

SOURCE: 7 September 2022, US CBP

(U) Texas – CBP Officers Seize \$11.9 Million in Methamphetamine at Del Rio Port of Entry

(U) Del Rio – CBP officers at the Del Rio Port of Entry seized methamphetamine valued at \$11.9 million within a tractor-trailer on Monday. The seizure occurred at the Del Rio International Bridge when a CBP officer referred a tractor hauling a shipment of diesel tank reservoir containers for a secondary inspection, resulting in the discovery of 320 packages containing 1,337 pounds of alleged methamphetamine within the shipment. US Immigration and Customs Enforcement-Homeland Security Investigations special agents are investigating the seizure.

SOURCE: 7 September 2022, US CBP

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(U) NATIONAL

(U) Tennessee - Police Arrest Memphis Man in Livestreamed Shootings that Left Four Dead

(U) Memphis – A 19-year-old suspect was arrested yesterday following a shooting rampage that left four people dead and three others injured across multiple crime scenes. There were at least eight crime scenes; the seven shootings and the carjacking of a vehicle in Southaven, Mississippi. At least one of the shootings was streamed on Facebook Live. The shootings began before 1 am local time Wednesday and continued through the early morning hours, triggering a shelter-in-place order for part of the city as police searched for the gunman. The suspect was arrested when he crashed during a high-speed chase after the carjacking in Southaven.

SOURCE: 8 September 2022, Associated Press

(U) North Dakota – Patriot Front Vandalizes Immigrant Business Center in Fargo

(U) Fargo – For the third time since July, a white nationalist group known as Patriot Front has vandalized areas in downtown Fargo, most recently targeting an immigrant business center. The International Market Plaza, was vandalized Saturday and Sunday in two separate incidents. The words "Patriot Front" were spray-painted on the building's entrance windows and were quickly washed away. In the second incident, multiple artworks outside the building were vandalized with spray paint. Fargo has experience several instances of vandalism tied to the Patriot Front in the last few months and signs, stickers, and fliers continue to be discovered across the city.

SOURCE: 6 September 2022, Valley News

(U) District of Columbia – US Soldier Kicked out of Army after FBI Discovered Ties to White Supremacy

(U) Washington – A former soldier who prosecutors say claimed he enlisted to become better at killing Black people was kicked out of the Army following an FBI investigation that uncovered ties to White supremacist organizations and Nazi ideology. Killian M Ryan was arrested on 26 August and charged with one count of knowingly making a false statement on his application for a secret security clearance. On the same day, he was discharged from the Army for "serious misconduct." Prosecutors say Ryan operated social media accounts where he was in contact with extremists, and made inflammatory posts. SOURCE: 7 September 2022, CNN

(U) INTERNATIONAL

(U) Australia – Politicians and Companies Targeted by Year-Long Cyberattack

(U) Sydney – Australian government agencies and companies have been targeted by a sophisticated year-long espionage campaign, according to US cyber security company Proofpoint. The hackers are known as Red Ladon or Leviathan and are closely aligned with the Chinese government security services. Victims received emails directing them to fake news websites that infected their devices with a harmful code. The main targets were Australian government officials as well as people involved in energy, shipbuilding and financial services.

SOURCE: 8 September 2022, EuroNews

(U) Canada – Second Suspect in Fatal Canada Stabbing Spree Dies After Arrest

(U) Saskatchewan – The second suspect sought by Canadian authorities in a weekend stabbing spree that killed 10 people in and around an indigenous reserve was arrested in Rosthern, Saskatchewan on Wednesday but suffered unspecified medical distress and died a short time later at a hospital. The arrest took place after a four-day manhunt about 62 miles southwest of where the mass stabbing occurred.

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The suspect surrendered to police and was taken away alive in an ambulance after a highway pursuit in which police rammed their vehicle off the road. Media previously reported that the suspect died shortly afterward of unspecified injuries that authorities believe were self-inflicted.

SOURCE: 8 September 2022, Associated Press

(U) North Korea – Lazarus Hackers Targeting Energy Providers Around the World

(U) Pyongyang – A malicious campaign mounted by the North Korea-linked Lazarus Group is targeting energy providers around the world, including those based in the United States, Canada, and Japan. The campaign is meant to infiltrate organizations around the world for establishing long-term access and subsequently exfiltrating data of interest to the adversary's nation-state. Several of these attacks were publicly reported earlier this April and May.

SOURCE: 8 September 2022, The Hacker News

(U) Northern Ireland - Terrorism Investigation Unit Arrests Woman After Raid

(U) Belfast – Detectives from the Police Service's Terrorism Investigation Unit arrested a woman and conducted a search of a property in west Belfast on Tuesday. The 33-year-old woman has been arrested under the Terrorism Act and taken for interview. Detectives reported the arrest and search was part of an investigation into criminality linked to Óglaigh na hÉireann, an IRA splinter group. SOURCE: 6 September 2022, <u>Belfast Newsletter</u>

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